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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Personnel Director

DATE:

FROM : Assistant Chief, Research and Planning Staff

16 DEC 1954

SUBJECT: Addition of Surgical Service to Current Group Hospitalization, Inc. Coverage

1. Attached hereto is a memorandum from the Security Office to the Chief, Personnel Division (Overt) dated 18 June 1952, which indicated that from a security viewpoint no objection will be interposed to the addition of surgical coverage to Group Hospitalization, Inc. policies now held by CIA employees.

2. A check with the Personnel Relations Branch (Overt) reveals that this policy has never been implemented and that current subscribers to the GHI hospitalization plan are not permitted to extend their coverage to include surgical benefits. Although Mr. [REDACTED] conducted the conversation alluded to in the reference memorandum, he was not aware that this authority was put in writing subsequently.

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3. During the past several months the Personnel Relations Branches (Overt and Covert) have had numerous telephone calls from employees relative to this subject. Under the current practice of refusing extension of the insurance coverage, current subscribers to the hospitalization plan are thoroughly frustrated. They cannot purchase independent surgical policies from outside companies, because those policies almost inevitably are tied to hospitalization plans. They may not subscribe to individual Blue Cross plans because they already have membership in the GHI hospitalization group plan with the Agency.

4. In view of the authorization contained in the attached memorandum from the Security Office it is recommended that this office inform the collectors for GHI insurance in the Agency that subscribers will be permitted to extend policy coverage to include surgical benefits.

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Attachment:

Memorandum from Chief, Security Control Staff to Chief, Personnel Division (Overt), Group Hospitalization, Inc., dated 18 June 1952.

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TO : Chief, Personnel Division/O  
FROM : Chief, Security Control Staff  
SUBJECT: Group Hospitalization, Inc.

DATE: 18 June 1952

Noted  
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1. Reference is made to the conversation between Mr. [ ] of this office, and Mr. [ ] relative to subject.

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2. This is to advise that from a security standpoint no objection is interposed to the addition of the surgical benefits plan to the Group Hospitalization, Inc. policies held by the CIA employees.

FOR THE SECURITY OFFICER, CIA:



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Chief, Security Control Staff

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Personnel Director

25 June 1952

THROUGH : Chief, Personnel Division (O)  
Chief, Personnel Relations Branch (O)

Addition of Surgical Service to current  
Group Hospitalization, Inc., Coverage

1. Reference is made to the attached memorandum to Chief, Personnel Division/O from Chief, Security Control Staff, Subject: Group Hospitalization, Inc., dated 18 June 1952. Heretofore, Agency employees with hospitalization coverage only (under Group Hospitalization, Inc.,) have not been accorded the privilege of adding the surgical service policy, presumably for reasons of security. The attached memorandum, however, resolves the security question.

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2. Mr. [ ] of the Security Control Staff has advised this office that Agency employees with hospital coverage only should be informed of the opportunity to expand their benefits under Group Hospitalization, Inc., to include surgical service, since no other group coverage for present policy holders is envisioned in the future. This conclusion on Mr. [ ] part, I feel sure, was prompted by his experience on the ad hoc hospitalization committee, composed of Messrs. [ ]

3. In view of the above, this office requests permission to take the necessary action to afford all Agency employees with hospitalization coverage under Group Hospitalization, Inc., the opportunity of adding surgical service to their present benefits. Approval of this request should include permission to negotiate with Group Hospitalization, Inc., and to disseminate the official information to all eligible employees, if GHI agrees to provide the surgical service policies.

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4. Approximately [ ] Agency employees are presently entitled to hospital service only under Group Hospitalization, Inc. Doubtless a large percentage of them would add surgical service to their coverage, if given the opportunity.



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FROM	INITIALS	DATE
1 Asst. Ch., Research and	[ ]	16 DEC 1952
2 Planning Staff		
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REMARKS:

*I think this is something that could & should be authorized now, pending contract*

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negotiations with  
GHI. If you agree,  
we will develop a  
CIA Notice & a POM.  
It could be a long  
time before a contract  
is signed & implemented.  
Meanwhile, I think this  
results in a very  
definite morale  
problem.

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